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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed List of References Cited by Applicant(s) form (PTO-1449).

Copies of the listed foreign references are enclosed. For the Examiner's convenience, English abstracts of the cited foreign references have been provided, when available. Copies of the cited published U.S. references have not been provided, in accordance with the Notice entitled "Information Disclosure Statements May Be Filed Without Copies of U.S. Patents and Published Applications in Patent Applications filed after June 30, 2003" set forth at 1276 O.G. 55.¹ The present application, it should be noted, was filed after June 30, 2003, on October 29 2003.

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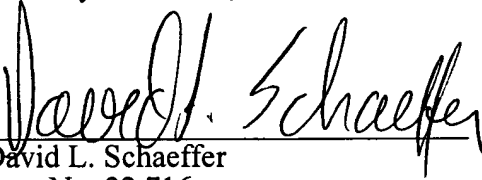
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It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed List of References Cited by Applicant(s) form (PTO-1449) be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of this application is respectfully requested. In the event that there are any questions, or should additional information be required, please do not hesitate to contact applicant's attorney at the number listed below.

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